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Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure - Group 2877

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
TOMOHIRO SUZUKI, ET AL. ) : Examiner: F. Evans  
Application No.: 09/764,049 ) : Group Art Unit: 2877  
Filed: January 19, 2001 ) :  
For: FLUOROMETRY AND )  
FLUOROMETRIC DEVICE ) :  
AND SUBSTRATE ) :  
SUITABLE THEREFOR ) : February 11, 2005

Mail Stop Petition  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 11, 2004 for three months, from November 11, 2004 to February 11, 2005.

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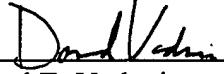
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Submitted herewith is a check for \$1,020.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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